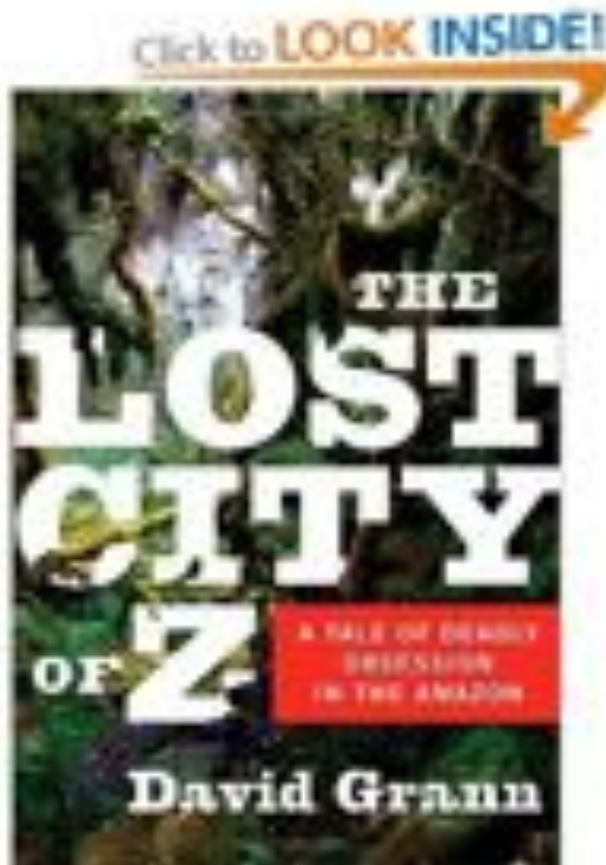


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Col. Percy Harrison Fawcett

- First went to South America in 1906
- Commissioned by RGS to map the region
- Made several successful trips and mapped huge regions
- Obsessed with the Mato Grosso region of Brazil
- Disappeared in 1925

<http://www.unmuseum.org/fawcett.htm>



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“Fawcett was taught not just how to survey but **how to see** – to record and classify everything around him...”

Royal Geographic Society

Art of Travel, written by Francis Galton for a general audience

Hints to Travellers, edited by Galton and served as the Royal Geographic Society's manual to train explorers

The 1893 edition stated, “It is a loss, both to himself and others, when a traveller does not observe.”

“Remember that the first and best instruments are the **travellers’s own eyes**.

Use them constantly, and **record your observation on the spot**, keeping for the purpose a note-book with numbered pages and a map...”

“... Put down, **as they occur**, all important objects: streams, their volume, colour, mountain ranges, their character and apparent structure and glaciation, the colour and forms of landscape, prevalent winds, climate...

In short, **describe to yourself at the time all you see.**”

Pith helmet?



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Stove and champagne?



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Binoculars? Machete?



Just your eyes?



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Camera with zoom lens?



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